UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

MIDWEST ASSOCIATION OF HOUSING COOPERATIVES et al.,

Plaintiffs.

Case No. 24-12949

Honorable Shalina D. Kumar Magistrate Judge Curtis Ivy, Jr.

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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TREASURY et al.,

Defendants.

ORDER REGARDING PLAINTIFFS' EMERGENCY MOTION FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF, OR ALTERNATIVELY, PRELIMINARY **INJUNCTIVE RELIEF (ECF NO. 17)**

Currently pending before the Court is Plaintiffs' Emergency Motion for Declaratory Relief, or Alternatively, Preliminary Injunctive Relief. ECF No. 17. At a status conference with the Court on November 25, 2024, the government requested that the motion be held in abeyance pending the outcome of a similar case on appeal in the Eleventh Circuit, which involves the same underlying issue. The Court agrees to hold plaintiffs' motion in abeyance pending the outcome of National Small Business United v. U.S. Department of the Treasury, 11th Cir., Case No. 24-10736, provided the

government refrain from arresting, jailing, imprisoning, or imposing civil

penalties against plaintiffs or individuals affiliated with plaintiffs for any

violation of the challenged statute during the period of abeyance. The

parties will immediately notify the Court of any enforcement attempt by the

government agency.

The parties shall also immediately notify the Court of the 11th

Circuit's ruling in the above-referenced case. The government shall file its

response to plaintiffs' motion no later than thirty (30) days from the date of

that ruling. Plaintiffs may file a reply within seven (7) days of the filing of the

government's response. The parties will appear by telephone for a status

conference on January 30, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. A separate notice will issue.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

<u>s/ Shalina D. Kumar</u> SHALINA D. KUMAR

United States District Judge

Dated: November 26, 2024

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